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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) (in duplicate); and Credit Card Payment Form for \$860.00 (\$475 for extension of time fee and \$385 for RCE fee).

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#### Preliminary Amendment

This Preliminary Amendment is responsive to the Advisory Action dated May 20, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination and the requisite fee and a Petition for a three (3) month extension of time and the requisite fee are provided herewith. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

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